

Morongo Basin Municipal Advisory Council
Minutes October 12, 2015
Joshua Tree Community Center, 6171 Sunburst Drive, Joshua Tree, CA 92252

- A. Call to Order
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Memorial Adjournment
 - * Catherine "Cat" Livingston
 - * Hardin H. Zander
- D. Roll Call: Members Present: Ziegert, Lundquist, Koenig, Flanagan, Swarat, Tuttle. Member Absent: Sitz
- E. The agenda was adopted as presented.
- F. The minutes of September 14, 2015 were adopted.
- G. Public Comments: Members of the community commented on the following: BLM has agreed to reopen the WEMO public comment period until January 25, 2016; there were many instances of machine gun fire in the Pipes Canyon area and when called the sheriff said they were too busy to investigate; comments on several potential solar projects encompassing 100-200 acres; there will be a hearing at the Whitewater Preserve on Tuesday concerning the creation of 3 new national monuments under the Antiquities Act.
- H. Public Safety Reports: Cty. Fire reported they answered 500 calls in the MB in September; there were 10 fires and 20 vehicle accidents; sandbags are available for El Nino; they loaned a Type 1 engine to MV for 90 days; 10/22 will be Tip a Firefighter Night at Applebee's from 4-8. CHP reminded everyone to be mindful of trick or treaters on Halloween and there would be a Teen Safety Class on Wednesday.
- I. Presentations:
 - 1. Kirby Brill, Mojave Water Agency General Manager, discussed State Mandated Restrictions and water supply.
 - 2. State Water Resource Control Board, Division of Drinking Water presented information on Hexavalent Chromium. Sean McCarthy, District Engineer for the Division and Jeff O'Keefe, Region 5 Chief Engineer for the Division were available for discussion after the presentation.
- J. Community Reports: Lutringer, Landers said there is a clean-up scheduled for late February 2016; Ziegert, YM, talked about illegal dumping in the area, the next meeting of the YMIA board will be 10-14 at 5:30; Koenig, FH, said OWS Road is still a problem but CALTRANS says they are working on it; Lundquist, JT, said he went on a water tour with JBWD mostly to view the infrastructure and operating system; Swarat, MV, thanked the BOS for lending them a fire engine, reminded everyone of the State of the Basin on 10-29 from 11:30-1:30 in YV; Tuttle, CMM, said the movie night on Saturday would be a showing of "Them", their breakfasts are still doing well, still continuing her quest to better Winters Road; Flanagan, DH, said she will be working on the WEMO project again.
- K. Adjournment: 8:55

Mark Lundquist, Chairperson

Mary Helen Tuttle, Secretary